

HOUGHTON ROAD CORRIDOR

Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street

Public Open House Summary
Thursday, March 21, 2013



**City of Tucson Department of Transportation
Regional Transportation Authority**

**HOUGHTON ROAD CORRIDOR
Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street**

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Overview

The City of Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT) and the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) held an open house to provide information and solicit comments on the construction of the Houghton Road and Broadway Boulevard intersection and Sun Tran Park & Ride lot, and the design of Houghton Road from Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street.

Location and Date

Thursday, March 21, 2013, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Gridley Middle School Cafeteria
350 S. Harrison Road
Tucson, AZ 85748

Attendance

Team members

TDOT – M.J. Dillard
RTA MainStreet Business Assistance – Priscilla Fernandez
City of Tucson Ward II Office – Ted Prezelski
City of Tucson Ward IV Office – Jeri Ward
Sun Tran – Bob McGee
Parsons Brinckerhoff – Greg Bambauer, Keith Hubbard, David Ruvalcaba, Joe Vaskovic
Borderland Construction – Andy North, Noah Putnam, Steve Shepherd
Gordley Group – Melissa Anguiz, Jan Gordley, Lori Lantz

Public

- Approximately 126 members of the public attended.

Public Notification and Information

Notification for the public meeting included:

- Government official notification emailed on March 1.
- Advertisement in Arizona Daily Star published on March 4.
- Invitation mailed to approximately 5,000 residents, businesses, property owners and stakeholders in the project area on March 8.
- Invitation emailed to stakeholders on March 8.
- Invitation posted on project website on March 12.
- News release emailed to local media on March 18.



Meeting Format, Materials and Presentation

At the open house, participants were asked to sign in and were provided a meeting agenda, fact sheet, construction contact sheet and comment form. Comment forms encouraged public input. Participants were asked to fill out and leave completed comment forms at the meeting or send them in by April 4, 2013, to be included in the open house summary.

Staffed information stations with maps and informational displays were provided to allow participants to ask questions specific to the area of their interest. The stations included information about the Houghton Road and Broadway Boulevard intersection construction, Sun Tran Park & Ride lot construction, Houghton Road: Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street design and RTA MainStreet Business Assistance Program.

A brief welcome and presentation was given at 6:15 p.m. by TDOT Project Manager M.J. Dillard. M.J. introduced project team members and provided an overview of the project. She explained that construction would begin with the Houghton Road and Broadway Boulevard intersection and Sun Tran Park & Ride lot. Houghton Road from Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street would be designed concurrently and constructed as the intersection work concludes. Construction for the entire project is anticipated to last approximately 18 months.

Following the presentation, representatives from the City of Tucson, RTA MainStreet Business Assistance, Parsons Brinckerhoff, Borderland Construction, Sun Tran and Gordley Group answered questions pertaining to the project at the information stations. Attendees were also encouraged to complete comment forms and visit the project website at www.houghtonroad.info. From March 4 through April 4, 33 written comments were received from 27 individuals and are included in the comment summary. Gordley Group responded to written concerns.



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3/21/13	Comment form	Anonymous		Glad to see Houghton widened.	Glad to see bus going down Broadway to Houghton.	Would like Broadway from Harrison to Houghton widened – Harrison-Broadway east is dangerous.
4/4/13	Email	Mike Blommer		I live next door to Roger Shelton. I do not believe the area that Roger is complaining about is a problem. The contractors are storing equipment and materials in a very neat fenced in area off of the access road next to Houghton road. I went for a walk with my camera this morning to take some pictures of the area for you and low and behold the fence was open and some of the equipment was gone. I continued my walk and when I got a block or two east on Broadway I met the contractors that were using the equipment to dig a trench. I went back to the fenced in area and took several pictures that I believe show that this area is not a problem of any kind. I for one do not want it gone until the work is complete.		
3/9/13	Email	Roger Blumenthal Pantano Christian Church				Thanks for the invite. I plan on attending. Also, just for your information, I would like to make our church available to you in the future for meetings if you ever need them. We have several rooms for groups of 50 to over 1000. Let us know if we can ever be of service to our community.



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3/21/13	Comment form	Roger Blumenthal	Making great progress. I wish we could get the whole corridor completed.	1755 S. Houghton, Pantano Christian Church, our main entrance is Houghton south of 22nd St. and north of 29th. Will there be a break in the median to accommodate?	Great idea – Speedway & Harrison is overcrowded.	
3/24/13	Email	Terry Boyka		Contractors should be held to a deadline for completion with penalties if not completed timely. Night work should be done when possible to eliminate disruption in traffic flow. Sound barriers should be installed where residences are close to Houghton Road. I would hope the rest of this project would be expedited to completion.		
3/25/13	Email	Connie Jo & Peter Carroll		We are concerned residents that live east of Houghton between Broadway and 22nd Street. We live on a cul de sac so there is no option to access our neighborhood streets except for the frontage road. The frontage road is used by many people to take their children to school at Soleng Tom Elementary. I personally use the frontage road to travel to Soleng Tom to work. I cannot imagine the back up of traffic on Houghton if that frontage road was removed. The traffic on the neighborhood streets would also back up as the frontage road provides a buffer for people trying to get around the neighborhood without pulling out onto Houghton.		



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3/25/13	Email	Connie Jo & Peter Carroll (cont.)		The frontage road is also used by many families for walking, biking and running around the neighborhood. As previously mentioned, many people live on cul de sacs, so the frontage road is the only way to move from their street to the other streets in the neighborhood. I cringe at the thought of our children and other school children walking or biking along a "pedestrian" path next to a fast moving, six-lane street! Soleng Tom students and staff even used the frontage road as part of their route for the Tucson Fitness day planned by our mayor! Please take the time to come and observe the traffic, both pedestrian and automobile, during the dismissal time of our neighborhood school. We think it will be very obvious that removing the frontage road is a very dangerous option.		
3/21/13	Comment form	T.L. Cross				Please include me on your mailing list.



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3/21/13	Comment form	Leroy Day Jeanne Mayer		There is a proposed drainage in our main drive onto Houghton Rd. (frontage). We use this driveway regularly for our heavy equipment. This drainage takes up a large amount of our real estate also. We need to get our heavy equipment across your proposed walkway. We would appreciate further consultation on the above. When we bought the house we were also advised that a noise wall would be built if your house faced Houghton. Will you be replanting the mature mesquite trees that block noise at this point? (And provides a visual barrier from the Houghton traffic.) We are not comfortable with the rubberized asphalt as it will not cover the "exposure" to the house that these trees provide from the public eye and noise pollution.		
3/21/13	Comment form	Mark Day	Macalester Park – Would love for road crest to be a bit lower between Del Este and Macalester Way. Also, want to know about art designs.			Design of decorations (if there are any).
3/21/13	Comment form	Wesley Derbyshire	Concerns: The medians will make it more difficult to navigate the various places of business at Broadway/Houghton intersection. Traffic is too heavy for easy U-turns and people will not know how to navigate that don't use it every day and may cause accidents.		Comment: We are glad that we will have more bus service.	Concern: Sonoran Heights Drive is a shortcut through Broadway/Houghton and more people will use it driving over speed limit and endangering pedestrians & pets.



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3/21/13	Comment form	Richard Gruentzel		We live on E. Edna Place, which currently shows would be blocked with a median. I want to ensure that there is a break in the median either at Edna or in close proximity in order to have adequate access for turns.		
4/4/13	Comment form	Camille Kershner	Landscaped medians are so much nicer than cement heat islands. Please consider the pedestrian/bicycle lane-users & crossers – shade in solar panels! Three lanes each direction is really necessary?		Please consider eventual connection with future expansions of the Sun Link Streetcar. Wonderful to see a Park-n-Ride expanding the eastside and southbound bus service!	Please consider options for future expansions of the Sun Link Streetcar to the north and south – also the high-speed rail from Sky Harbor to TIA. Please include me on your mailing list to receive information concerning this project.
3/21/13	Comment form	David Koepp		Please reduce speed limit or install light at Camino Quince which leads to elementary school. The situation is dangerous for parents driving children to school – either with backups or cars taking risks avoiding fast traffic. We do not have children and have no vested interest but it makes sense to keep children safe. Wouldn't it be less expensive to do this now rather than wait for someone to get injured?		



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3/21/13	Comment form	Andy MacLeod	Please improve the lane restrictions turn lane closures into Civano. Currently (today) the north entrance of Civano Blvd. is closed. The left turn lane is in place, but there is nowhere to go. Merging to continue south is tricky/dangerous. See figure other side. (Drawing of intersection.)			
3/21/13	Comment form	Jeanne Mayer		Several mesquite trees will be removed in the right of way. From what I am told there will be no walls built to block noise. The traffic is noisy at the point and the trees are the only buffer. My house faces Houghton. I feel that this will devalue my house. I am a real estate agent. I do not feel the rubberized asphalt is a suitable trade-off. Will there be any compensation for those who may incur noise pollution and have to build their own walls?		
3/21/13	Comment form	Anne McBride			Like the idea of having bus access closer to my home.	Concerned about access to Edna Place during construction. Previous plans showed turn bay at Edna Pl. I need to go south every day for work. Without turn bay, I will have to U-turn and 22nd. Also, coming home from Houghton, may have to U-turn near Old Spanish trail to get home.



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3/21/13	Comment form	Kathi McNamara	Need a sound wall!!!! Already very noisy and is a huge concern. We have lived in our home for many years (more than 25) and need to continue rear yard access.	Concerned about noise and access. Our home borders on the service road and we already experience excessive noise. We also use a rear gate for RV and have for many years.		
3/21/13	Comment form	Tom McNamara		Strongly recommend a sound wall along Houghton Road. Access to my back yard for RV parking. I currently have a gated driveway off the service road.		
3/21/13	Comment form	Elizabeth Lasonder Nichols		Houghton is my backyard wall. Please can you put the path below the existing slope (onto the existing frontage road)? Can I put a wall up? Or raise existing wall? Because your red line on the chart touches my wall???		
3/21/13	Comment form	George Nichols				Please include me on your mailing list.
3/27/13	Email	Julie Niles		I attended the meeting at Gridley Middle School, and requested a copy of the aerial plan showing the Broadway & Houghton intersection improvements. It was on display, but no copies were available. I spoke with MJ Dillard, and she said she was going to try to get it on the website. Can you email me one?		



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4/1/13	Comment form	Paul Olesniewicz		Soleng Tom Elementary School is located at 10520 Camino Quince Tucson, AZ 85748, 520-731-5400. There are approximately 500 students, faculty and staff that attend the school. Every day there are hundreds of cars, as well as busses, supply and maintenance vehicles that drive to the school a minimum of twice a day. These intersections become very congested. The turn lanes, on the proposed hard separations off Houghton, that lead to Camino Quince and Calle Del Este must be made long enough to accommodate the large volume of cars, busses and trucks. On Camino Quince and Calle Del Este where the streets cross onto Houghton there should be improved lanes, possible hard separations, as well as separate lanes for right and left turns (please see attached drawings). Thank you for your time and consideration.		Please extend the project to go north from 5th Street to Speedway.
4/4/13	Email	Marty Schuller		We were out of town at the time of your meeting March 21, 2013, therefore unable to attend. Are there copies of the meeting minutes available? If so, would you please email or mail a copy? Thank you.		



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3/18/13	Email	Roger Shelton		<p>The pre construction as you call it seems to never go away! Our neighborhood endured months of trash, road equipment, mud bogs, trash from trucks, and a general “give a rats” attitude with National Pipeline storing everything including their outhouse for months on our frontage road. We fought long and hard to obtain “no parking” signs after signing hundreds of signatures with the city and Carol West, and finally got them on our frontage road between Broadway and 22nd St. After meeting with Southwest Gas we finally got them to move all their crap to the job site north of Broadway!</p> <p>Now we are enduring a repeat with TEP’s contractor who also thinks that the Frontage Road on the east side of Houghton Road is their personal parking lot. It is our neighborhood, not their private storage facility!</p>		
3/19/13	Email	Roger Shelton		<p>TEP and their contractors are using our frontage road for their private storage facility. Most work I have seen them do is with aerial poles further north of Broadway. Our frontage road is a mess because of them and National Pipeline who were Southwest Gas contractors. Our neighborhood has put up with this for over a year! There is no need for an outhouse, loads of pipe and a chain link fence to house anything they put there for their convenience while nothing is being done!</p>		



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3/19/13	Email	Roger Shelton		Thank you for your response and interest. Believe me if you lived in my neighborhood and worked so very hard to bring about "no parking" signs up and down the frontage road placed there by the City of Tucson and then see it used this way you would object too! It has become the trash and garbage left for others to pick up!		
3/22/13	Email	Roger Shelton		TEP and its contractors were not even there to answer to anyone. The only one I was able to speak to was Borderland. This was a complete waste of time, especially to all the homeowners who live in the area going to be affected by all this. This group does not want input because all the decisions have already been made! And now I find out that this so-called improvement is taking away our neighborhood frontage road! That road has been there for over 30 years providing access to our streets without using Houghton Road. This will lower our property values, disrupt our living and provide nothing in return but more noise. What a complete waste of money and time!		



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3/27/13	Email	Roger Shelton		The neighborhood and its concerns seem to be on the back burner as far as what the residence owners of Rancho Del Este are concerned. The frontage road has been part of our community since the 70s. And as far as identifying myself I did that by signing in! I know my daughter has written to you with the same concerns as I have. Her name is Connie Jo Carroll.		
4/3/13	Email	Roger Shelton		How do we get rid of all this trash stored on our frontage road? There is no work being done! The frontage road between 22nd street and Broadway has become a storage facility for the convenience of Sturges and TEPs contractors! It's a tragedy the whole neighborhood is putting up with and we all want it GONE!		
3/18/13	Email	Merrill F. Sproul		Any chance you can change the March 21st open house at Gridley Middle School time to 7 to 8:30 p.m.? U of A is playing its first game of the NCAA tournament at 4:20 p.m. I think you can count on better attendance. Otherwise, I would expect many late arrivals.		



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3/28/13	Email	Alfred Stacy		<p>I attended the open house a few days ago concerning the Houghton Road Corridor project. I had a few questions that were not answered by the people that were connected to the project. I live on the west side of Houghton in the Macalester Park neighborhood, with Houghton Rd on the other side of my backyard wall. The main question I was most concerned about, was the EXACT amount of space from my back wall to the sidewalk and the road itself. The section I'm referring to is between the exit roads from my neighborhood, which are Macalaster Way and E. Calle del Este. Also the question of water runoff from the road itself. A few of my neighbors had issues with flooding in their back yard during the monsoon season and the water that would accumulate from the road would go into their back yard. With a wider road and being closer to our back walls a great amount of water will run off toward our back yards. Depending on the slope of the road toward our wall, height of the sidewalk and from my experience since I lived in Tucson, the LACK OF PROPER DRAINAGE SYSTEM around the city. It seems to me it would cause a great deal amount of flooding.</p>		



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3/28/13	Email	Alfred Stacy (cont.)		<p>Another concern of my neighbors are the amount of noise with the road so close to their back yard and overall to the houses that are not necessarily next to the road but close enough to hear the vehicles. Yes, you are using a mixture that will reduce the road noise. But how much? You can plug in any decibel and PREDICT how much it will increase from just a two-lane road to a six-lane road, but in reality it's just a prediction. From my calculations, factoring the decrease in the space from the road to neighborhood wall, "predicted" amount of vehicles using the road, the increased amount of pavement "six lanes" and other factors concerning how sound travels. The amount of noise should increase 8 to 15 times or maybe more from the amount with have now, depending on the time of the year. i.e. rain, temp, etc.</p> <p>Another concern is the safety aspect. With the road being so close to people's houses. A car traveling 45 miles per hour or more. You have a good chance, if a car loses control and drives off the road, that car would be going into someone's bedroom. Correct me if I'm wrong. I thought there is a city or state ordinance on building walls or increasing a wall height near neighborhoods that has this type of road, "six lanes" or more and on the distance the road is to someone's property, traffic speed, etc?</p>		



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3/28/13	Email	Alfred Stacy (cont.)		Most ordinances are usually to protect the well being of citizens and their property. Also is it really necessary to have six lanes? From the papers that was passed out at the open house. The last survey study was between 2002 and 2004. Almost ten years ago. I'm assuming that was concerning the amount of traffic, "environmental impact", etc. on Houghton Rd. Yes, the amount of traffic has increased, but to a point that their needs to be six lanes? Someone's calculations seem to be way off. There are 4-lane roads in Tucson that have ten times the amount or more traffic. If road does really need to be increased to six lanes, why not just develop it as a six- lane road, but only have four lanes lined. Then if it needs to be increased to six lanes in the future, just re-line it to six lanes. Many other cities use this type of planning in their road projects. It saves time and money. Hopefully you can give me a few answers to my concerns of this project. If possible I would like to be sent a few detailed maps of the project itself, especially around my neighborhood.		
3/8/13	Email	VS		Thank you for the info. We may not be able to go. Can you give us a timeline for this to be completed? Will the intersection still be open at Houghton and Broadway during construction? Thanks.		
3/21/13	Comment form	Amy Wheeler				Irvington/Houghton intersection completion date?



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3/22/13	Email	Amy Wheeler		Thanks, Melissa. I appreciate the information. You all ran a very nice meeting last night.		



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AGENDA

6 – 6:15 p.m.

- **Open House with Information Stations**
Please visit the information stations to view displays.
Project team members are available to answer questions.

6:15 – 6:30 p.m.

- **Welcome, Introductions and Project Overview**
M.J. Dillard, Project Manager
City of Tucson Department of Transportation

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

- **Open House – Questions and Answers at Information Stations**
Please direct questions to team members at displays.

Comment Forms: Please write comments, questions or requests on the comment forms provided. This is one of the best ways to express your opinions and have them documented and shared with the project team.

Project Information: Additional information may be found at **www.houghtonroad.info**





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Comment Form

The City of Tucson is interested in your thoughts regarding this project. Please take a moment to note any comments, ideas and concerns you may have regarding the overall Houghton Road Corridor improvements and the Houghton Road: Boulevard to 22nd Street Construction. **Please print clearly.**

Houghton Road Corridor:

Houghton Road: Boulevard to 22nd Street Construction:

Sun Tran Park & Ride Lot:

Other:

Name (optional): Address: City: State: Zip:

Phone: E-mail:

☐ Please include me on your mailing list to receive information concerning this project.

Public comments are an important part of the projects and are welcome at any time for review and consideration. Comments returned by April 4, 2013, will be included in the summary of this public meeting. Please leave your comment forms in the comment box or return to Melissa Anguiz by mail: Community Relations, c/o Gordley Group, 2540 N. Tucson Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85716; email: melissa@gordleygroup.com; or phone: 520-327-6077.

Houghton Road Corridor

BROADWAY BOULEVARD TO 22ND STREET

Houghton Road Corridor Overview

The City of Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT) is designing improvements to widen Houghton Road with four to six lanes from Tanque Verde Road to Interstate 10. These improvements are made possible by the voter-approved Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Plan and funding.

Houghton Road: Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street

Construction began in spring 2013 with the Houghton Road and Broadway Boulevard intersection and Sun Tran Park & Ride lot. Houghton Road, from Broadway Boulevard to 22nd Street, will be designed concurrently and constructed as the intersection work is concluding.

Improvements Include:

- Widening Houghton Road to a curbed six-lane roadway
- Medians
- Dual left-turn lanes and dedicated right-turn lanes in all directions at the Broadway Boulevard and 22nd Street intersections
- New and upgraded traffic signals and lighting at the Broadway Boulevard and 22nd Street intersections
- Drainage improvements to alleviate flooding of roadway during major storms
- A Sun Tran Park & Ride lot on the northwest corner of the Houghton Road and Broadway Boulevard intersection
- Bus pullouts
- Rubberized asphalt for noise mitigation
- Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Native landscaping with water harvesting
- Roadway lighting

What to Expect During Construction

Construction is anticipated to last approximately 18 months. One lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction, and access to all properties and businesses will remain open throughout construction.

Background

Recommendations for the Houghton Road improvements are based on:

- Engineering and environmental considerations
- Public information gathered during the Arizona Department of Transportation's Houghton Road Corridor Study [2002-2004]
- Public outreach efforts that were conducted during the City of Tucson's Conceptual Design and Final Design Phases [2006-2012]



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More information is available at the project website:
www.houghtonroad.info



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BROADWAY BOULEVARD TO 22ND STREET ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS
PARK & RIDE AT HOUGHTON ROAD AND BROADWAY BOULEVARD

CONTACT - For construction or traffic information or concerns

Urgent/immediate on-site issues (In an emergency, dial 911)

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Borderland Construction Co. Field Superintendent

520-730-9778

Noah Putnam

Borderland Construction Co. Project Engineer

480-221-2785

Marcos Torres

City of Tucson Construction Inspector

520-400-5255

General or less immediate issues

M.J. Dillard

City of Tucson Construction Project Manager

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Steve Shepherd

Borderland Construction Co. Executive Vice President

520-623-0900

General Houghton Road Corridor or project-specific design issues

M.J. Dillard

TDOT Design Project Manager

520-837-6616

www.houghtonroad.info

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Public Information Officer

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City of Tucson

Ward 2 Office/Council Member Paul Cunningham

520-791-4687

Public Participation/Public Involvement

Gordley Group

520-327-6077

MainStreet Business Assistance

Priscilla Fernandez

Business Assistance Ombudsman/Consulting Partner

520-954-0549



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**CITY OF
TUCSON**



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: March 18, 2013
TDD: 791-2639

HOUGHTON ROAD: BROADWAY TO 22ND STREET OPEN HOUSE MARCH 21 CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN SPRING 2013

The public is invited to attend an open house for the Houghton Road: Broadway to 22nd Street Project. This project is part of the overall plan to improve Houghton Road from Tanque Verde Road to Interstate 10.

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At this open house, the contractor, Borderland Construction, will be available to answer questions and discuss construction phasing.

This is a project of the Regional Transportation Authority. The voter-approved, \$2.1 billion RTA plan will be implemented through 2026. Details about the full plan are available at www.RTAmobility.com. The Regional Transportation Authority has a nine-member board with representatives from local, state and tribal governments. This project will be managed by the City of Tucson.

For more information, please contact TDOT Project Manager M.J. Dillard at mj.dillard@tucsonaz.gov or call 520-837-6616. More information about the overall Houghton Road project is also available at the project website: www.houghtonroad.info

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